

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (previously presented): Method for supplying a paint application device with paint, the method comprising a given paint volume in each case is conveyed between two pigs through a pig line from a first pig station connectable to the paint supply source to a second pig station connectable to the paint application device, wherein the first and the second pig stations are capable of temporarily storing the two pigs, wherein a passage of the first pig station extends between a connection to the paint supply source and a connection to the pig line and a passage of the second pig station extends between a connection to the pig line and a connection to the paint application device, the pig line is cleaned on the return path of the pigs from the second to the first pig station by means of a given quantity of cleaning agent that is conveyed by at least one pig, and the pigs are conducted through the pig line by a pressurised pushing medium, and on return from the second pig station to the first pig station, the cleaning agent is transported between the two pigs, wherein the residual paint remaining between the two pigs when the painting process has been completed is disposed via the second pig station.
2. (previously presented): Method according to claim 1, wherein a liquid solvent is used as the cleaning agent.
3. (previously presented): Method according to claim 1, wherein compressed air is used as the pushing medium for the pigs.
4. (previously presented): Method according to claim 3, wherein velocity of the pigs is adjusted by appropriately throttling the expulsion of air from the flow paths located ahead of the pig.

5. (previously presented): Method according to claim 1, wherein as the paint is introduced into the space between the two pigs in the first pig station the pressurised paint is used as the pushing medium for the leading pig.

6. (previously presented): Method according to claim 5, wherein a quantity of paint used as the pushing medium is measured and the supply of paint to the space between the two pigs is ended when the desired quantity of paint has been introduced, and in that the trailing pig is ended when the desired quantity of paint has been introduced, and in that the trailing pig, together with the paint volume and the leading pig, is then moved by the pushing medium.

7. (previously presented): Method according to claim 1, wherein as the cleaning agent is introduced into the space between the two pigs in the second pig station, the pressurised cleaning agent is used as the pushing medium.

8. (previously presented): Method according to claim 7, wherein supply of cleaning agent to the space between the two pigs in the second pig station is ended when the leading pig has moved a given distance, and in that the trailing pig, together with the cleaning agent and the leading pig, is moved by the pushing medium.

9. (previously presented): Method according to claim 1, wherein the pig stations are flushed with cleaning agent at least when a colour change is made.

10. (previously presented): Method according to claim 9, wherein the pig stations are flushed alternately with cleaning agent and compressed air.

11. (previously presented): Method according to claim 1, wherein the paint application device includes an electrode that is connectable to a high voltage, and further wherein the high voltage is applied to the paint application device only when the pigs are located at a given minimum distance outside the pig stations in the pig line.

12. (previously presented): Method according to claim 11, wherein the cleaning agent is fed via a line to components that are connectable to a high voltage and is conducted away from these components via a line, wherein the lines are coiled in a particular area.

13. (previously presented): A method for supplying a paint application device with paint from a paint supply source, the method comprising the steps of:

- providing a pair of pigs—a first pig and a second pig;
- providing a first pig station and a second pig station, each pig station being capable of temporarily storing the pair of pigs;
- injecting a paint between the pair of pigs;
- conveying the paint between the pair of pigs from the first pig station toward the second pig station;
- injecting a cleaning agent between the pair of pigs; and,
- conveying the cleaning agent between the pair of pigs from the second pig station toward the first pig station.

14. (previously presented): The method of claim 13 further comprising dispersing the paint from between the pair of pigs at the second pig station.

15. (previously presented): The method of claim 14 further comprising removing residual paint from between the pair of pigs via the second pig station.

16. (previously presented): The method of claim 13 further comprising removing residual paint from between the pair of pigs via the second pig station.